

MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS

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Community Health Worker Coverage

- **Currently ND Medicaid does not enroll or reimburse CHWs.**
- Activities that must happen **before** ND Medicaid could enroll/reimburse CHWs. These activities would take 2-3 years from start to finish.
 1. The state must implement a scope of practice for CHWs in law or rule. The Department of Health would likely be lead.
 2. The state must implement a standardized licensure and certification system for CHWs. The Department of Health would likely be lead.
 3. ND Medicaid develops fiscal estimate based on CHW scope of practice, CHW availability in the workforce, members likely to use the service, etc.
 4. If funds are appropriated to Medicaid for CHW coverage, we would proceed with administrative rule and/or state plan updates, systems changes, provider enrollment updates, etc. This would require additional Medicaid staff resources.